NUMBER OF BILLS PASSED.

The Galveston-Huntington Bill Went Through the Senate.

AMENDMENT REALLY AMOUNTS TO NOTHING

Was "Submitted to" by the Friends of the Bill-Governor Has Affixed His Signature to Several New Laws-Consolidation Bills Not Yet Acted On.

Austin, Texas, March 15, MR LINN SECURED CONSIDERATION from ordinance of the city council of Galcasto cloring the streets and alleys on ten block of ground fronting on the bay and reliquishing to C. P. Huntington such right. and title as the State may have in said ground and passed it under suspension o rules. In doing this, however, he cacour tered the vigorous opposition of Mr. Gree contended that if the State had any who contended that it the state and title is vested in the permanent school fund and can not be parted with by legislative grant In roply Mr. Linn said that it was his riparian right to relinquish in this lustant and that said right was all that his bill sought to transfer to Mr. Huntington, Mr Burns spoke in favor of the bill and urge. its passage on the ground that it would hasten the enlargement of Galveston's wharf facilities, in the development of which the entire Transmississippl country in interested and there is little doubt but framed as to aim at nothing clse that the counte swallowed it so gracefully.

THE FACT REMAINS, nevertheless, tha those who voted for it are just as much in the dark now as to the reason for which they were asked to relinquish the State's rights in the premises although it is as seried by the makers of the request tha there are no rights of that character in existence-sa they were when the bill was first called to their notice. To help the bill along, as it were, its friends "submitted" to the adoption of an amendment giving the railroad commission control of the charge to be made for wharinge by Mr. Huntington cases forms but a part of an interstate or ing Mr. Huntington to open his wharves t all lines, rail or water, terminating in Galmission would have been more to the point: but it was not offered.

HIS WAS HOUSE BILL DAY in the senate and the reverse in the house. The former body cleared the president's table of every house bill resting there, disposing of pinetime was wasted in exchanging complinents certain amount to pay tax assessors for the collection of agricultural statistics several years ago before the discovery was made that authority for compensating them for deing this work had been dropped from the statutes when they were last revised.

Comorrow Is THE LAST DAY left to

thorizing the Houston and Texas Central Northwestern and other short roads, but no Linn opposed the amendment on the body has yet succeeded in extracting any. ground that the State of Texas has no his decision in the premises will be

HE SENATE PROPOSES tomorrow to take up its appropriation bill and to continue consideration until it is finaly disposed of. Knowledge of this has increased the restleseness of the house and moved several of its members to go into the sine die adjournment reclution business again in thr bope of aftering up its finance committee and inducing it to make haste with its bill.

The proposition is now to adjourn finally on some date between April 1 and 15.

Amendment by Linn was adopted providing that the tracks to be built by the said C. F. Huntingston or his assigns shall connect with the track of any railroad company that may be built to the intersection of Forty-first street with the pro-

THE PRIENDS of the Dallas charter amendment bill have determined if possible to secure a suspension of the rules so as to bring it up either tomorrow or Friday so as to avoid having the quorum broken on them Saturday (local bill day) on which it is Saturday (local bill day) on which it is bard to held members who have no local bills in hand to held them, and on which it is generally pretty easy for a determined and well organized opposition such as has mission of Texas, but this shall not be

CERTAIN MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE are developing a reprehensible penchant for obtaining notorlety out of the Hogg fee by disching their names to all sorts of resolu-tions with regard therete. Several of the resolutions were sent in this evening for P. Huntington, his heirs or assigns, what

HE GOVERNOR this evening approved the following bills; Requiring city and county reasurers to report the condition of sinking and interest funds to the comptroller: changing the time for holding elections of shool trustees to the first Saturday to terms of those elected to begin on the first of May, and the trustees to be divided into three classes, whose terms shall

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tite-maker, and helps the stomach do its work right. It is the great blood cleanser, flesh-builder and nerve tonic. Best medicine in the world for the run down, weak and debilitated. Hostette'rs Stomach

for one and two years, respectively; providing for the first publication of notices and reports by commissioners courts; changing the time of building court is the Fifey-fourth judicial district; fixing the time of hotding court in the Forty-figh fuel tal district. To following bills became laws without th and San Augustice countles from the district to the community school system; pro-

county; creating and maintaining a more efficient road system for Cass county. IN YESTERDAY'S DISPATCHES IS WAS TO ported that "r. Perry prairie dog hill had been killed by the senate judiciary committee No. 2. This was an error. The bill that was killed was the Goss and the reason that it was adversely reported upo was because of the pendency of Peery's on the same subject, which has niready passed the house.

PROCEEDINGS.

The Sennte. Austin, Texas, March 15 .- The senate

met with a quorum present. Bill by Moreiss appropriating \$14,000 to equip with fire escapes the three State insane asylums, deat and dumb institute,

insane asylums, deat and dumb institute, blind institute, colored deat, dumb and blind asylum and the State orphans' home was ordered engrossed and passed finally under a suspension of the rules.

A message from the governor was received and read in which he recommended that an appropriation of \$2000 be made to stamp cut the smallpex epidemic at

Senator Atles introduced a bill approprinting \$2000 for the purposes recom-mended by the governor.

Linn secured suspension or the regular

order and consideration of his bill ratifying on the lots turned over to him mindful of the fact that said control practically amounts to nothing, established as it is over something which in a majority of ordinance passed by the thy council of the city of Galveston on the 1th day of Pebruary, 1898, critical "An over something which in a majority of closing certain streets, avenues and alleys

of the city of Galveston, and authorizing and empowering Collis P. Huotington, his beirs or assigns, perpetually to construct and maintain piers on the shore of Galveston bay, within the corporate limits of the city of Galveston, upon certain specified conditions," and additionally reliquishng any claim the State of Texas may have part of the property therein described. the bill and the benefit it would be, not only to Galveston, but to the entire State teen. The house worked pretty fast, also, or Texas. He declared that the people of but did not do quite as well. Considerable Galveston came before the legislature as

a unit on this question.

Senator Linn yielded in order that the committee on public health might send up doctors from the payment of an occumation a favorable report on Atlac's bill appropriating x and much eloquence was turned loss in discussing the constitutionality of a bill epidemic at Largeo and the bill was passed (which was finely killed) appropriating a finely under a suspension of the several

COMORROW IS THE LAST DAY 1 ft the governor in which to dispose of the bill as granted any portion of the flats and making thorizing the Houston and Texas Contral it clear that the State has never granted Railway company to absorb the Austin and any portion of the said flats.

thing from him that would indicate what title to the flats and that the passage of this amendment might cloud titles to othe

Greet also opposed the amendment, de-

Linn offered a substitute striking from no ordinance the section relating to the State's title to the flats, which was adopted in lieu of the amendment.

Amendment by Linn was adopted pro-

longation of Avenue A, according to the maps of the Galveston City company; pro-vided, that this shall not be construed as authorizing any person or corporation to use the tracks (hat may be constructed by the said Huntington, his heirs or assigns

developed with regard to this measure to the construed as to permit or allow any tions, and the same.

Sertain Members of the House are the consent of said C. P. Huntington, his developing a reprehensible penchant for beirs or assigns, owning the same at the

Greer offered an amendment striking out the estensible purpose of forcing the issue. ever claim or title it may have in or to but the thinness of this explanation is too any portion of the flats and inserting lanapparent, as everybody knows that the gusge which gives authority to ". P. Hunt house can, without going out of its way. Ingion to see the State in the district court meet it whenever it feels as disposed by of Galveston to establish the title, if he isolding either the Kittrell bill or the has such, to all or any portion of the flats. O'dell-Hanger resolution.

and it was lost by a viva voce vote. Greer offered an amendment striking out of section I of the bill "relinquish unto the said C. P. Huntington, his beins or as-signs, whatever title or claim. If any, it may have," and insert "disclaims any

title;" lost.
The bill was ordered engrossed and passed finally under a suspension of the rules. The vote on final passage was as

	Ayes-19.
Atlee.	Burns.
Davidson,	Dibrell,
Сова.	Gough,
Hanger,	James,
Kerr.	Line.
Loyd.	Morrise,
Patterson,	Ross.
Sebastian.	Terrall.
Turney.	Yantie,
Yest.	
	Noss-3.
Greer.	Grinpan,

to have regularly drawn juries was passed motion of Dibreit the appropriation

bill was made special order for inmorrow and from day to day until disposed of. Recessed until 3 o'clock, so as to per-mit the chair to sign the harsde smallpox

APTERNOON SESSION. the trend retornates this afternoon the chair stand Atlee's bill appropriating \$2000 to stamp out the smallpra epidemic at

Davidson's bill placing Aransas and Calhour counties under the provisions of the sheep scab law was ordered engressed.

House bill by Sutherland transferring Rains and Grimes counties from the community to the district school system passed.

o third reading.
Dibrell's bid giving the rallroad commission power to collect fees for making extined copies of records anally passed.

Davidson's bill prescribing the duties and mode of payment of special judges was

passed to engrossment.

Loyd's bill repealing the act incorporating the town or Jacasonville was er-

Hanger's bill to permit sheriffs and con-stables and other officers to demand a stables and other officers to demand a bond of indemnity before levying a writ of execution was ordered engrossed. Yett's bill appropriating \$75,000 to re-ound to the various countles of this State the State's pro rate for compiling the delinquent tax record passed facility

the delinquent tax record passed maily.

Davideon's bill authorizing the several counties in this State to invest the permanent school fund belonging to such counties in their own bonds, and to use counties in their own bonds, and to use the proceeds thereof for general purposes, and to make the county liable for such investment, was passed to engiosement.

Johnson's bill appropriating \$10,000 for the purpose of entablishing an orphans home at Corsicana for colored children was ordered engrossed.

Bill by Turney, Neal and Greer, author-lzing the Houston East and West Texas rallway to lease and operate the Hous-ton and Shreveport railroad, passed insile.

Committee on insurance, statistics and history reported (avorably Grinnan's bill holding fire insurance companies liable for attorneys' fees and 12 per cent damages where they refuse to pay a loss and fail to maintain their defenses in court.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock tomorrow.

Senate committees today reported bills

az follows: Judiciary No. 1-Favorably on Patterin criminal cases; favorably on Turney's bill to authorize admission to record and evidence in the couris of this State of duly certified copies of all deeds and other in-struments of conveyances of land, which have been duly registered or recorded in other States, or in the Republic of Mexico, but which the laws of such States or coun-try require to be retained in the deed notarial archives of such States or counor hotaria archives of sides states of country, and to give such instruments like effect, as notice and proof. - is given by deeds executed in this State: adversely on Burns' bill: covering the same subject matter as in the above bill: favorably on bill by Burne to enable war housement and warehouse companies to dispose of un-claimed property left in their custody, and prescribing the method of disposing of and prescribing the method of disposing of such property and providing for the disposition of the proceeds of the sale of such property; adversely on bill by Sebastian regulating the advertising of delinquent tax lists and other official notices required to be published; favorably on Patterson's bill requiring owners and colders of purchase money notes and other money lichs to pay their pro rate of the tax on the real estate secured by said notes or supposed and savate bill to sufforing supposed and supposed supposed and supposed sup liens to pay their pro rata of the tax out the real estate accured by said notes or liens; adversely on Sebastian's bill thy request) prescribing the mode of procedure in bills of review, when the State of Texas is a party to the suit, and by authority bills of review to be filed by heirs or devisees; adversely on bill by Sebastian, authorizing heirs, devisees and legal representatives of parties to suits to escheat property, to appeal and sue out writs of error, and to prescribe the mode of issuance and service of process in such cases; favor-

faith under an illegal contract; adversely on bill by McGee providing for the transfer or suits to the proper county or precinct when a piece of privilege is sustained, and to provide for the taxing of costs against the plaintiff.

Mining and Irrigation—Favorably on house bill by Prince to regulate drilling, operation and abandonment of netroleum oil, satural gas and mineral water wells and to prevent certain abuses therewith:

and to prevent certain abuses therewith: (avorably on house bill by Masterson and Wheless amending the general drainage

tute for Johnson's bill placing the super-intendent of the orphane asylum on the same footing with the superintendents of the other asylums and changing the name

to orphans' home.

Roads, Bridges and Ferries-Favorably on bouse bill by Teagle, creating a more efficient road system for Liberty county.

The House.

This was senate bill day in the house, and the pending business when the house met this morning was the Turney bill to set apart and appropriate to the permanent school fund all the lands heretofore or hereafter recovered from railway companies or other persons, firms or corporations, and to provide for the disposition of

The pending amendment was one by Mr. Grogan, requiring the issue of patents to persons who have bought from the person, firm or corporation who originally located the land upon fling of proof in the land office of purchase and of payment of full value therefor without actual knowledge of any defect in the title.

The amenament was lost. The Garner amendment, offered last Thursday, was next in order. It was as

"Amend, after line 30, page 2, by add-

Section 3a. Where any person or peredge of any defect in title to said land, prior to the time of the institution of proceedings on the part of the State to recover such land, and not having been made a party to such suit, such land is now here the preceding provisions of this act, that the same shall be hereafter disposed of by the legislature; said land shall not be subject to location, leane or sale, unless hereafter so provided by the legislature. Said persons or their amigness, claiming such land, shall have sixty for the land to provide protection against libelous writings and publics ions, and fixing the venue of suits therefor," being unable to agree with a majority of the committee, beg leave to submit the following minority respont; It is not denied that there is now no civil statute in this State defining wha. Is a libelous and what is a privileged communication, by reason of which fact the decent and financially responsible papers of Texas are unable to determine the limits of liberty of publication which is altituded them under the law. sons not a corporation have bought lands from the person, firm or corporation who originally located such land and paid Said persons or their ausignees, claiming such land, shall have sixty days, and no incre, from end after the taking effect of this act to file with the commissioner of the general land office proof of such purpose, and payment of full value for said land, and that at the time of such purchase such purchaser was an innocent thee; provided, notice and relationship in the constitution, and should, in our judgment, be remedied at the earliest possible moment.

We do not believe that the responsible papers of Taxon that the responsible papers of Taxon fact the limits of them under the law. Such a condition of affairs in act consistent with the present the constitution, and should, in our judgment, be remedied at the earliest possible moment.

office under any law now in force, but shall remain for future legislative action; provided, that all such claimants shall, within sixty days after the taking effect of this set, and not thereafter, file their applications and field notes in the general land office, together with proof of their

The amendment was amended by add-The amendment was amended by adding the following proviso, submitted by Mr. Decker: "Provided, those who have attempted in good faith to accurate any such lands under the homestead donation act shall have a preference right of six months regardless of the provisions of this section, to purchase such lands."

The Garner amendment as thus amended was adopted.

was adopted.

Mr. Little moved to strike out the

emergency clause; lost.

The bill was ordered engrossed, after which the rule was suspended and it was

parted—ayes 93, noes 7.
On motion of Mr. Rittrell the regular order was suspended and senate bill No. 122 tby Senator Burns), to provide for the redemption of land sold under decree of court for taxes due an incorporated city of the redemption of land sold under decree of court for taxes due an incorporated city. or town, and to provide for the redemp-tion of the land so sold within two years from the date of such sale, was taken up out of its regular order and passed.

The speaker laid before the house the senate bill to amend the occupation tax

law by exempting physicians and, as here-tofors emended, also exempting lawyers. A motion by Mr. Savage to indefinitely postpone the bill was lost—aves 39, noes

The bill was passed—ayes 55, noes 51.
It passed with a motion pending to reousider the vote by which it had been

ordered engrossed. The committee on the public health and vital statistics reported favorably the senate bill to appropriate \$2000 for aiding the local authorities of Laredo and Webb county in suppressing and abating the

amalipox epidemic.
On motion of Mr. Tarver, the regular order was suspended and the bill was placed upon third reading and first pass-age; within less than an hour from the time of its reception in the house the bill was passed and was reported back to the senate. It passed by a vote of 97 to 1, the opposing vote being cast by Mr. Ter-Il of Cherokee county.
Recess was taken until 3 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Upon the assembling of the bouse at th afternoon sension, Messra, Dies and Tearle introduced a resolution accepting the in

son's bill relating to the pay of jurous vitation of the people of Port Arthur to attend the celebration on the 25th instant of the completion of the Port Arthur ship channel to deep water, and it was unanimously adopted

The senate bill to provide for the pay-ment of tax assessors for taking agricul-tural statistics for the year 1895 came up in regular cider for consideration on third reading and final passage. Mes Shropshire and Tarver supported the bill and Messrs. Shannon, Greenwood, Vaugh-an, Wheless, Conoly, Powell and Livesy speke against it. The bill was defeated. ayes 29, noes 57.
The senate bill to compel railway com-

panies to supply cars for shipments of freight within a reasonable time after re-ceiving application came up for consideration; the bill as passed by the senate requires the cars to be provided within three days.

On motion of Mr. Ayres, the rule was suspended and senate bill to authorize corporations incorporated for the purpose of acquiring, owning and operating union passenger depots to condemn land for the purpose of their incorporation, was taken

out of its regular order and passed ayes 82, hoes 7.

On motion of Mr. Bolin the rule was suspended and the senate bill to amend the portion of the law of the Twenty-fifth egislature relating to the fees of district

clerks, was taken up out of its regular or-der and passed to a third reading. A motion to further suspend the rule and place the bill on its passage was defeated. The house then adjourned to 8:20 The house then adjou

collected from it by the tax collector of Camp county from June, 1893, to Decem-

Committee on education: Favorably bill to amend the law relating to the collection of taxes in independent school districts incorporated for free school puposes; favorably bill changing the time electing county superintendents of public electing county superintenees of public instruction; favorably bill relating to the closing of schools on legal holidays; favorably bill to provide a uniform method of electing school trustees in independent districts, defining the duties of such trustees in reference to the election of uperintendents of schools with adverse minority report. Committee on insurance, statistics and

history: Favorably substitute for bill re-lating to fraternal beneficiary associations.

WHY A LIBEL LAW IS NEEDED.

MINORITY OF HOUSE COMMITTEE SETS FORTH THE REASONS.

Only Constitutional Rights Are Asked by the Responsible Press of the State.

Austin, Texas, March 15 .- The following is the text of the minority report on the libel bill made to the house this morning and ordered printed in the Journal on motion of Mr. Wooten: To Hon. J. S. Sherri Hon. J. S. Sherrill, Speaker of the

House: Sir. We, the undersigned, the minority of judiciary committee No. 1, to which committee was referred house bill No. 182, being "a bill to be entitled an act to de-fine libel and privileged communications, and to more effectively secure the liberty of the press, and to provide protection against libelous writings and publications.

Nose—3.

Greer.

Grinnan,

Mose—3.

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Mose—3.

Committee on education reported favorably house bill transferring Rains and constitute and any of the lands recurred to in this act, and any of the lands mentioned in this act, and any of the lands mentioned in this act, and any of the lands mentioned in this act, and any of the lands mentioned in this act, and any of the lands mentioned in this act, and any of the lands mentioned in this act, and any of the lands mentioned in this act, and any of the lands mentioned in this act, and any of the lands mentioned in this act, and any of the lands mentioned in this act, and any of the lands mentioned in this act, and any of the lands mentioned in this act, and any of the lands mentioned in this act, and any of the lands mentioned in this act, and any of the lands mentioned in this act, and any of the lands mentioned in this act, and any of the lands mentioned in this act, and any of the lands mentioned in this act, and they form the promotion to the mention and then the provided the menuspapers of Texas degree liceuse to unfinity askall any citizen if we understand then fired the store, as he was seen complication and the provided the menuspapers of Texas degree liceuse to unfinity askall any citizen, if we understand then fired the store, as he was seen complication. They are willing to be held responsible for all actual pecuniary damages influed upon any citizen if we understand then fired the store, as he was seen complication. They are willing to be held responsible for all actual pecuniary damages in the prematice on the lands required any alliquing and titles on the provided nothing herein contained shall be construct as validating asid titles on the prematice of the prematice of the prematice in the prematic in the prematice in the prematice in the prematice in the prema

and, therefore, by inference of law, ma-liciously assails a citizen, it ought to be held responsible for punitive or exem-

They do not believe, however, that it they honestly and in good faith make a reblication which they have avod reason to believe to be true, but which was not, in fact, so, that they should be held rein fact, to, that they should be held tesponsible for more than such actual damnges as can be computed in dollars and
tents, and should not be punished by exemplary damages for an honest mistake,
nor should matice be imputed or inferred
by reason of such publication so made in
sod faith.

This, we understand, is the extent of
the desire of the decent press of Texas.

the desire of the decent press of Texas, and we believe it to be a reasonable one, to which up man can justly object. The constitutional freedom of the press

and be compelled, from motives of pru-lence and crution to smother and hide rom public criticism and investigation hose matters with which the public has egitimate concern.

No newspaper in Texas, able to respond

financially in damages, dares today t that the simplest fact which may affect the character or reputation of any man, however unworthy he may be, or however common a matter of comment and discussion such fact may be outside of the public press, lest such publication should subject the paper to action for damages.

Hence the obvious and pressing necessity for a clearly defined civil statute, setting forth what is and what is not privileged matter, and, believing that the bill in question can be made to attain this sud,

in question can be made to attain this end we submit that it should be cuncted into

BILLS INTRODUCED.

In the Senate.

By Linn-Te provide for the payment to Clarke & Courts balance due them on contract for printing.

By Morriss-To pay Isaac Lemon for corn furnished the republic of Texas dur-ing the Cherokee Indian war of 1839.

ing the Cherokee Indian war of 1839.

By Dibrail thy request.—To establish a State normal at San Marcos.

By Atlee—Providing for the compilation of on abstract of the located, titled and natented lands of the State of Texas.

Patterson, by request, introduced a bill relating to the sale of timber on State lands.

By Mr. Derden-Making it a felony to move the ballot or boxes from a voting ing the place before the ballots are counted for alling the names on the ticket by any

By Mr. Derden-Providing for subdividing justice's precinct so that not more than soo votes shall be cast at any one voting the division being based upon the for governor at the last preceding Mr. Murphy-Amending the act

By Mr. Murphy—Amending the act re-storing the civil and criminal jurisdic-tion to the county court of Bexas county By Mr. McFarland—To validate the inorporation for school purposes only of Victoria independent school district. By Mr. Cross—Resolution declaring the

occupation tax, except in so far as it is a police regulation, is unjust and undemocratic, and requesting the commission application to report a more perfect tax system to leave occupation taxes out of con-By Mr. Wright-To diminish the civil and criminal jurisdiction of the county

ourt of Coke county.

By Mr. Wright-To name the several counties composing the Fifty-first and Thirty-third judicial districts, to fix the times of holding courts therein to attach the unorganized county of Schleicher to nty of Menard

Smith of Collin-Joint resolution to submit to the neople the proposition to pay the Hogg & Robertson fee or re-turn the \$101,000 back to the United States

By Mr. Kennedy-Concurrent resolution Petition.

A. P. declaring that the Hogg & Robertson fee of retain Committee on claims and accounts: Facorably bill to pay Clarke & Courts the
balance due them under printing contract;
to pay \$118.75 to the First National bank
to the United States treasury.

To Permit Redemption. Auskn. Texas, March 15.—In the house this morning Mr. Kittrell called up and passed without amendment senate bill No.

The afternoon session was principally devoted to selection of the next meeting place. San Autonio, Dallas, Waco and Fort parties in towns and cities where property is sold for taxes to redeem in the property. Worth were candidates, After two ballots for taxes to redeem in the property of the next meeting place. San Autonio, Dallas, Waco and Fort work as a local preacher.

In 1866 he was ordained deacon by Bish-Auston. Texas, March 15 .-- In the house parties in towns and cities where property parties in towns and cities where property is sold for taxes to redeem in two years upon the same terms as is now allowed to neople in the country. This will afford relief to many citizens of Houston Judge Kittrell and Mr. Browne hope, on Friday, to be able to get up house bill 3407, introduced by Judge Kittrell, to stay and prevent execution of any decree of foreclosure or order of sale or writ of possession upon any homestead for taxes for the period of twelve months.

BURGLARY AND ARSON. MURDER AND SUICIDE

A SERIES OF CRIMES COMMITTED BY A NEGRO AT BELTON.

After Blowing Out His Wife's Brains Ed Benn Sent a Bullet Into His Own Hend.

Belton, Texas, March 15 .- At 6 o'clock this morning the large hardware store of Admiral Dewey, owned by W. S. Ikard: Wilson & Austin burned; loss \$15,000; in-second, Rollie, owned by Snedeker & Wilson & Austin burned; loss \$15,000; insurance, Stitch agency, \$1500; New Orleans Insurance association, on stock. \$1500; Best Hereford cow, 2 years and over; Queen, on stock, Donny agency, \$1500; Girlic, owned by Ikard; second, Girlic, owned by Ikard.

Best Hereford cow, 2 years and over; First, Cinderella, owned by Ikard; second, Girlic, owned by Ikard.

Best Hereford heifer, 1 year and under: of fire indenciary. The fire was started in First, Mire Grove II, owned by Lewis; second

the north end of the building, and a strong norther was blowing and the whole building was in flames when discovered.

Just after the fire alarm was given, Ed Bean, a negro, shot and instantly killed his wife on East street, near the public school building; he used a double-barreled shotgun. The first load broke her right arm. gun. The first load broke her right arm the next took effect in the head, tearing away nearly all of the back part of the skull and almost emptying it of the brains. He then put a pistol to his own head and sent a ball through it, killing himself instantly. The gun and pistol have been identified by Wilson & Austin as beloaging to their stock, and the supposition is that he broke into the store and got them with a large amount of ammunition 2nd then fired the store, as he was seen complete the store and got the store, as he was seen complete the store and got the store and got them the store and got the store and got

TEXAS CATTLEMEN

R. J. Kleberg of Corpus Christi Elected President.

IMPORTANT RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

Effort Will Be Made to Retain Feeding II Transit Privilege.

EGISLATIVE COMMITTEE APPOINTED

Will Seek the Passage of the Prairie Dog Extermination Bill-Fort Worth Gets Next Meeting.

Fort Worth, Texas, March 15 .- The las day of the big Texas Cattle Raisers' asso clation was the banner day of the entire session, and much effective work was done The convention convened for business at

10:30 and from the opening to the close at 6:30 business was rapidly dispatched. The election of officers for the ensuing year was the first business transacted and when retiring President Bush rose to put In nomination Hon. R. J. Kleberg of Corpus Christi as his successor the convention fairly went wild.

Mr. Bush's tribute to the worth and fidel ity of Mr. Kieberg was full of glowing features.

The election of Kleberg was made unaut

mous under suspension of the rules.

The new president was escorted to the platform amid deafening cheers and music by the band, Mr. Kleberg said he would not detain the convention with a prolonged address, thanking the convention for the honor proceeded to business.

The other officers elected were: Murdo McKinzle of Panhandle, first vice president: A. B. Robinson of Wichita Falls, second vice president; J. C. Loving of Fort Worth, secretary; E. B. Harrold of Fort

Worth, treasurer, Several resolutions were introduced and adopted, probably the most important being the one introduced by A. B. Rohinson on the abolition of the feed in transit privilege by the railroad lines. For years the railroads have permitted cattlemen shipping cattle to market to stop them for feeding, and upon the payment of small additional fee transport them to market within six months. The resolution was a protest against any change and if it is car-ried into effect will be regarded as a disthretly hostile movement under its terms.

Mr. Wilson said the only way to reach
them was legally. The railroad men would ecutive committee to take up the wo and he wanted the association members to work on their congressmen to effect a change in the law if necessary. He wanted legal opinion on the question. "Can we effect anything through the interstate com-merce commission?" If not, amend the law.

The resolution was adopted.

Judge J. H. Glassgow of Seymour offered an anti-prairie dog resolution. He legislation for their extermination. Adopt

Alfred Gillis of San Antonio offered a After Gills of San Antonio offered a petition to amend the law relating to posted land. The law is now only applicable to enclosures of less than 2000 acres; he wanted it applicable to ranches, for careless hunters often fired the gran or even wounded stock and wanted all the members to work on their legislative mem-

A committee was provided to visit and explain to the legislature the points of the

A. P. Bush offered a resolution is an of medicine and at one and took als medicine and increasing the service of ing for that profession, and took als medicine State Rangers. He said that the civil ical lectures at Nashville, Tenn.; he then the State Rangers. He said that the civil authorities were unable to cope with the depredations of the rustlers and thought

Worth were candidates. After two ballots Fort Worth was selected as the meeting place in 1900. San Antonio was a close second, but the final round-up was too much for the Alamo City.

Thus far but few sales of cattle have been reported. Tomorrow trading will begin in earnest. It is not believed, however, that many big trades will be made. Tonight the order of the Mystic Knights of Bovinia paraded the streets 500 strong. It is a newly organized order. Lodges will be formed in Kansas City, St. Louie, Chicago, Denver and other large cities in cattle regions.

At the fat stock show John Goslin, the expert judge of St. Joseph, passed on the merits of the white-faced cattle and Messrs. Burk Burnett, Harry Groom and John Ledbetter, all well known Exas cat-

Evans.

Best shorthorn 1 year and over 2: Pirst, Best shorthorn under 1 year: First,

gins, Jim Day.

Best shorthorn herd, one bull and four

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Best shorthorn herd, one bull and four cows: First, Frank Hovenkamp; second, J. W. Burges; third, I. J. Kimberlin. The National Live Stock association of the United States will be welcomed in Fort Worth on Jahuary 33, 1900.

George W. Ballantine, manager of the Denier Union stock partia, and F. P. Johnson of the Denier Dally Stockman and Dally News occupied mirkest sexts on the

The representatives of various stock

Mrs. Barnard Thanks MRS. PINKHAM FOR HEALTH.

[LETTER TO WES. PINEMAN NO. ILOSS! "DEAR FRIEND—I feel it my duty to express my gratifude and thanks to you for what your medicine has done for me. I was very miserable and losing flesh very fast, had bladder trouble. fluttering pains about the hea would get so dizzy and suffered with painful menstruction. I was reading in a paper about Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, so I wrote to you and after taking two bottles I felt like a new person. Your Vegetable Compound has entirely cured me and I cannot praise it enough."—MRS. J. O. BARNARD, MILLTOWN, WASHINGTON CO., Mm.

An Iowa Woman's Convincing Sta

"I tried three doctors, and the last one said nothing but an operation would help me. My trouble was pro-fuse flowing; sometimes I would think I would flow to death. I was so weak that the least work would tire me.
Reading of so many being cured by
your medicine, I made up my mind to
write to you for advice, and I am so
glad that I did. I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and Liver Pills and followed your directions, and am now well and strong. I shall recommend your medicine to all, for it saved my life."-Miss A. P., Box 21 ABBOTT,

yards were bunched together in the dress

The railroad boys are here with their cheap rate lariats.
The sunflower badge of the Kansas City brigade were very much in evidence.
Pictures of Admiral Dewey, Admirals
Schley and Sampsen, Colonel Kit Carter,
General Pitzhugh Lee and President Mo-

Kinley adorned the stage. Ed Anderson of Chicago, who first reccgnized that the use of the term "em-balmed beef" was unfortunate, was ming-ling with the knights of the branding from The boxes were filled with wives and daughters of association members.

The legal department of the association

has worked wonders during the five years of its existence. Its report was attentive-ly listened to. Licutenant Governor J. N. Browning

Licutenant Governor J. N. Browning held a lovec at the opera house door and was the recipient of cordial greetings.

Cattle sellers are alcoping on their arms, as it were, fearful lest they quote prices acceptable to buyers.

The badges of the Chicago crowd were much sought after.

The surging masses were not permitted to be house.

The surging masses were not permitted to go hungry. Every church in town served meals at convenient places.

Little tots, ranging from 5 to 7 years of age, were stationed in the lobbies of leading hotels, mounted on stands decorated with National emblems, in order that the visitors might learn of the good work being done by the Fort Worth Orphabs Home.

RIOV. J. C. WOMACK.

Much Respected Citizen of Cam-Cameron, Texas, March 14.—A gloom was cast over the people of our city this morning when it was learned that Rev. Dr. J. C. Womack had passed away at 4:39

this morning. Rev. John Crossley Womack was born December 21, 1827, in the State of Missis-sippl; he entered the ministerial work in the Methodist Episcopal church in 1853; in 1858 he moved with his family to the State of Arkansas and entered a business life, and also continued his work as a local picacher. While in that State he saw a wenderful opening for the practice depredations of the rustlers and thought that the services of the Rangers were integrining of the war he entered the continuous dispensable to the safety of the cattlemen, especially in the western part of the State, and when the Jayhawkers invaded that State he was badly wounded advised by his officers to remove with returned to his bome and practiced that profession until the late civil war. At the beginning of the war he entered the Con-

The State Capital.

Austin, Texas, March 15 .-- The railroad commission today authorized the Texas and

Messrs. Burk Burnett, Harry
John Ledbetter, all well known Exas catflemen, passed on the shorthorns.

The awards were as follows: Best Hereford bull. I year old and unier 2, first premium, Warrior, owned by W. S. and J. B.
Ikard: second, Sir Bartlett Bean Peal,
owned by J. R. Lewis.

Best Hereford bull. I year old and under
2: First, W. J. Bryan, W. S. and J. B.
Ikard; second, Westerner, owned by Wedding.

The awards were as follows: Best Hereinness for the benefit of Hour man.

It is understood tonight that there is a
strong probability of an amicable settlement of the unpaid labor claims outstanding against the Texas Trunk, which will
remove the opposition of the holders thereof to the passage of the Texas and New
Orleans consolidation hill because of ne
provision having been made therein for
their payment. Another Body Recoverd. Sabine Pass, Texas, March 15,-The body of Harold Mattson, a saller of the Norwe-

gian steamer Themis, drowned on the night

of the Sib, was found this afternoon. An inquest will be held and the body buried tomorrow by the side of his shipmate, who was drowned at the same time and whose body was recovered some days ago.

A PURE GRAPE CREAM OF TARTAR POWDER



Gold Medal, Midwinter Fair

Bitters